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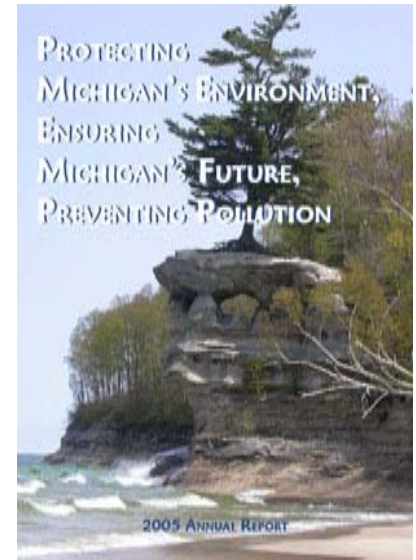


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PROTECTING MICHIGAN'S ENVIRONMENT, ENSURING MICHIGAN'S FUTURE, PREVENTING POLLUTION

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has released the 2005 Pollution Prevention (P2) Annual Report, *Protecting Michigan's Environment, Ensuring Michigan's Future, Preventing Pollution*, outlining P2 efforts that the DEQ has undertaken between October 1, 2005, and September 30, 2006.



The DEQ has one of the most far reaching state P2 programs in the country, offering services to businesses, institutions, and government agencies. Under our sector partnerships, staff assist specific industrial sectors to provide customized assistance and to publicly recognize participating facilities for their accomplishments. Other initiatives focus on specific waste streams or environmental issues of community-wide concern, and the demonstration and evaluation of P2 technology to increase its acceptance and use within industry. The DEQ also offers services to assist businesses with identifying and implementing process efficiencies and alternatives to using hazardous materials. This includes free, confidential, on-site assistance available to businesses of less than 500 employees, and follow-up low interest loans to implement capital improvements that adopt clean technology and energy efficiency improvements.

The DEQ staff works with business, industry, and many community partners to advance P2 in our state and make the places we live,

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work, and play cleaner and healthier. The DEQ has over 25 voluntary P2 programs, representing over 1,800 facilities and partners working with businesses, community groups, and local governments toward sustainability.

Copies of the report may be obtained, free of charge, by either contacting the Environmental Assistance Center at **800-662-9278** or by visiting the DEQ Web site at **www.michigan.gov/deqp2**.



MEET THE NEWEST CLEAN CORPORATE CITIZENS

Michigan is proud to currently have 101 voluntary members in the Clean Corporate Citizen (C3) program. These top performers have earned the honor of C3 designation by bringing environmental factors into the management of their daily operations. They have identified significant risk factors (aspects) that have the potential to impact the environment, and set targets to shrink their environmental footprints. Collectively, this group of top performers strives to improve conditions for the citizens of Michigan.

Department of Environmental Quality Director, Steven Chester, has recently designated the following new Clean Corporate Citizens:

- **The Department of Defense, Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center**, Alpena – Alpena County (Designated C3 on March 8, 2006)
- **Consumers Energy JH Campbell Complex**, West Olive – Ottawa County (Designated C3 on February 17, 2006)
- **Continental Automotive Solutions. N.A. (Continental Tevis, Inc.)**, Auburn Hills – Oakland County (Designated C3 on February 10, 2006)

We invite you to learn more about the C3 program, view the complete list of C3s, and read about some of their significant achievements (featured annually in the “Meet Michigan’s Clean Corporate Citizens” publication) by visiting our website at **www.michigan.gov/deqc3**.

For more information on gaining recognition for your facility through the C3 program, contact **Kelie Bond** at **517-241-7969** (**bondk@michigan.gov**) or **Valerie Haan** at **517-241-0231** (**haanv@michigan.gov**)

EPA VOLUNTARY PROGRAM TO REDUCE 31 PRIORITY CHEMICALS

An EPA news release on March 1, 2006, announced the National Challenge Commitment for Priority Chemicals, a collaborative initiative to shrink industrial use of 31 priority chemicals. These chemicals are federal priorities because they are persistent, bioaccumulative, and highly toxic. EPA is focusing on reducing priority and toxic chemicals to better protect human health and the environment. The challenge commitment seeks a ten percent decrease in the use of one or more of the chemicals over three years at government and industrial facilities throughout the country.

By substituting or eliminating certain chemicals in their manufacturing processes, companies produce less waste and thus lower their waste disposal costs. The goal is to substantially reduce the volume and toxicity of priority chemicals in waste by asking companies to voluntarily:

- Substitute safer alternatives when they can;
- Minimize the amount of priority chemicals they use, if they can't substitute for them;
- Maximize their recycling efforts;
- Practice cradle-to-cradle chemical management; and
- Design products to minimize exposure to, and release of, priority chemicals during manufacturing and use.

The national challenge is sponsored by two EPA programs, the National Partnership for Environmental Priorities (formerly known as National Waste Minimization Partnership Program) and the National Environmental Performance Track. Becoming an environmental priorities partner and implementing the challenge commitment can be the first step for companies to become full Performance Track members. Applications are accepted twice a year: April 1 through May 31, and September 1 through October 31.

For more information on the National Challenge Commitment for Priority Chemicals and the National Partnership for Environmental Priorities, visit www.epa.gov/epaoswer/osw/consERVE/priorities/chemical.htm. For more information on Performance Track, visit www.epa.gov/performance-track or direct questions to the EPA Performance Track Hotline at **888-339-7875**. This information could be useful to small and large quantity generators of hazardous waste who have requirements regarding minimizing their wastes.



EPA EXTENDS SPCC DEADLINE

On February 17, 2006, EPA published in the Federal Register (71 FR 8462) a final rule extending the dates when facilities must prepare or amend their Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plans for oils and implement those plans. Facilities have until October 31, 2007 to amend and implement their SPCC Plan, or if they became operational after August 16, 2002 to prepare and implement their plan. The SPCC regulations apply to non-transportation related facilities that have:

- 1320 gallons or more aboveground oil storage capacity or 42,000 or more gallons underground storage capacity, and
- there is a reasonable chance of a discharge to water

Oils include petroleum and synthetic oils, fuels, animal fats and vegetable oils.

EPA is also evaluating some other proposed revisions to the July 17, 2002 rules pertaining to facilities and farms with less than 10,000 gallons oil storage capacity, oil-filled operational equipment, motive power (onboard bulk oil storage containers used solely to power the movement for a motor vehicle), and airport mobile refuelers. Additional information is available at www.epa.gov/oilspill. Michigan facilities may discuss SPCC questions with **Phil Wicklein**, EPA Region 5, at **312-886-0185**.

Information regarding how the state's Part 5 rules relate to SPCC facilities is available in the Water Bureau's POG#2. To see who to contact in the Water Bureau with questions about state rules, visit www.deq.state.mi.us/documents/deq-ead-tas-pippcontacts.pdf.

DEQ RECEIVES EPA AUTHORIZATION FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM

The DEQ has received final authorization from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for revisions to its Hazardous Waste Management Program (Program). The final authorization was announced on March 9, 2006, in 71 Federal Register 12141. The newly authorized Program revisions are included in the administrative rules which were promulgated pursuant to Part 111, Hazardous Waste Management, of Michigan's Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, on December 16, 2004. Go to www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/state/index.htm to link to the State Authorization Tracking System which provides the authorization status for all states.

In order to maintain its federal authorization, the DEQ is continually monitoring regulatory changes at both the state and federal levels, and revising the Program's administrative rules accordingly. The DEQ Waste and Hazardous Materials Division anticipates beginning work on the next administrative rules package, which will include changes to the manifest system, in late 2006. Public comment periods are announced in the DEQ Calendar at www.michigan.gov/deqcalendar.

COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE CORNER

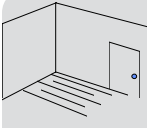
Question: What steps do I follow to properly close my residential heating oil tank?

Answer: The following steps are required for either underground or aboveground storage tanks that have been out of service for more than 12 months or will not be used again:

- Empty the tank, and empty and cap pipes. Many homeowners have the heating oil company from which they purchased the oil, also pump the tank.
- Have the tank professionally cleaned before removal. There are usually tank cleaning firms listed in the yellow pages of most telephone books under “tank cleaning” and “environmental and ecological services.”
- Contact the local authorities to see if any permits are required for tank excavating.
- Remove the pipes and tank unless removing them would threaten the structural integrity of a nearby building. If the underground storage tank cannot be removed, it must be filled with an inert material (sand, gravel, or cement) before closing in place. Aboveground storage tanks can be left in place if the tank is safeguarded against trespassing and the filling portals locked to prevent trespassing.
- Heating oil tanks located in basements must have the fill pipe “blind flanged” (a solid disk inserted at a pipe joint) to prevent the heating oil from being mistakenly pumped into the basement if the tank was removed.
- A site assessment must be performed in accordance with Section 2.6.5 of Part 2 of the FL/CL Rules for underground heating oil tanks of 1,100 gallons or more. A site assessment is recommended for tanks less than 1,100 gallons.
- Dispose of the tank properly. Preferably, the tank should be taken to a salvage yard for recycling. Contact the local salvage yard for more information. If a salvage yard is not available, contact the local landfill for more information.

With both underground and aboveground storage tanks, if it appears a release of product occurred (dark stains in the soil, soils that smell oily or like gas, an oily sheen on water in the excavation), it is highly recommended that the homeowner or their designated representative report the release to the appropriate DEQ, Remediation and Redevelopment Division district office regardless of the quantity released to assure compliance with all applicable regulations. The **Environmental Assistance Center, 800-662-9278**, can identify the appropriate district office and phone number.

For more information on residential heating oil tanks and to view the newly updated Home Heating Oil Tanks brochure, visit www.deq.state.mi.us/documents/deq-eadtas-htgoilbroc.pdf



Compliance assistance staff are experienced department personnel in ESSD that specialize in another environmental program division. Staff provide one-on-one and referral assistance on calls received by the Environmental Assistance Center. If you have any environmental question on which you need assistance, call 1-800-662-9278.

REVISED WASTE MANIFESTING SYSTEM IN SEPTEMBER 2006

Any hazardous or liquid industrial waste shipments initiated on or after September 5, 2006 will be required to use the new Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest (EPA Form 8700-22 (Rev. 3-05)). The March 4, 2005 Federal Register (pages 10775-10825) mandates that EPA manage the registration of printers and you will be required to obtain manifests from registered printers only. For further information on acquiring these manifests and instructions on completing them, please visit the following EPA Web site at www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/gener/manifest/registry/index.htm.

The Waste and Hazardous Materials Division will be posting information on their Web site at www.michigan.gov/deqwaste around September 1, 2006.

Elizabeth Bols from the Waste and Hazardous Materials Division will be providing training on the new manifests in one of the sessions in the upcoming Michigan Environmental Compliance Conference. More information about the June conference being held at three locations can be found at the Web site www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops.

PUBLICATIONS

BECOME A MICHIGAN BUSINESS POLLUTION PREVENTION PARTNER (MBP3) - New brochure

www.deq.state.mi.us/documents/deq-ess-p2-mbp3-brochure.pdf

The Michigan Business Pollution Prevention Partnership (MBP3) is a voluntary partnership program open to all Michigan businesses interested in saving money and protecting the environment. This new brochure provides information about the program; such as who can apply, how to apply and the benefits to joining MBP3. For convenience a pre-addressed registration form is included within the brochure.

HOME HEATING OIL TANKS - Updated brochure 2006

www.deq.state.mi.us/documents/deq-ead-tas-htgoilbroc.pdf

This brochure provides guidance to homeowners on how to maintain a home heating oil tank, causes and signs of a leaking tank and steps to take in the event of a leak or release from the tank. It also gives information on how to properly close a tank that is no longer in use as well as its removal and disposal.

Pollution Prevention RETAP Internship Program - Updated brochure 2006

www.deq.state.mi.us/documents/deq-ead-p2-intern-retapintern.pdf

The P2 Retired Engineer Technical Assistance Program (RETAP) Internship Program is a partnership initiative between the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Michigan institutions of higher education, the RETAP, and businesses to promote pollution prevention. The program provides students an opportunity to gain valuable work experience and knowledge outside the classroom. This brochure helps explain the programs benefits, eligibility requirements and how to apply.

A complete listing of publications available from the ESSD is located on the Internet at

www.deq.state.mi.us/pubcenter or a copy can be requested through the Environmental Assistance Center by calling 800-662-9278, or through E-mail at deq-ead-env-assist@michigan.gov.

EVENTS

APRIL/DECEMBER 2006

MEECS (MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM SUPPORT) TRAINING WORKSHOPS, VARIOUS LOCATIONS, MICHIGAN. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality is pleased to announce that Michigan is among only a handful of states in creating its own environmental education curriculum, known as the MEECS. This project is designed to provide students in grades four through nine with an opportunity to learn about their environment through five different curriculum units: Air Quality, Ecosystems & Biodiversity, Energy Resources, Land Use, and Water Quality. Over 180 teacher training MEECS workshops have been scheduled. A full brochure with workshop dates, times, and locations is available on the Web at www.michigan.gov/deq-meecs. Please check for updates on the MEECS website, as more workshops are scheduled. Registration Fee: Low cost/no cost - varies by location. Registration Information: Varies by location; see Web brochure. Information Contact: **Thomas Occhipinti**, Executive Division, **517-373-2379**, or E-mail at occhipit@michigan.gov.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>
4/4/06	Ecosystems	Detroit Zoological Park Education Center, Royal Oak
4/4/06	Land Use	Detroit Zoological Park Education Center, Royal Oak
4/4/06	Water	Detroit Zoological Park Education Center, Royal Oak
4/6/06	Ecosystems	Sanilac County Science & Mathematics Center, Peck
4/8/06	Ecosystems	Environmental Discovery Center, White Lake
4/11/06	Land Use	GVSU Regional Math & Science Center, Allendale
4/19/06	Land Use	Mecosta-Osceola Math/Science/Technology Center, Big Rapids
4/19/06	Air	Mason-Lake-Oceana Math-Science Center, Ludington
4/21/06	Air	Sanilac County Science & Mathematics Center, Peck
4/21/06	Ecosystems	Eastern UP Math and Science Center, Sault Ste. Marie
4/25/06	Water	GVSU Regional Math & Science Center, Allendale
4/29/06	Water	Environmental Discovery Center, White Lake
5/1/06	Air	Allegan County Math and Science Center, Allegan
5/1/06	Land	Macomb County Mathematics, Science, & Tech. Center, Garfield
5/4/06	Ecosystems	Western U.P. Center for Science, Math, & Environmental Education
5/4/06	Water	Western U.P. Center for Science, Math, & Environmental Education
5/4/06	Air	Western U.P. Center for Science, Math, & Environmental Education
5/5/06	Land	Western U.P. Center for Science, Math, & Environmental Education
5/5/06	Energy	Western U.P. Center for Science, Math, & Environmental Education
5/8/06	Air	Allegan County Math and Science Center, Allegan
5/8/06	Energy	Macomb County Mathematics, Science, & Tech. Center, Garfield
5/9/06	Ecosystems	GVSU Regional Math & Science Center, Allendale

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*If you are interested in participating in the development of any Environmental Science and Services Division event, please call **Mary Goodhall** at **517-241-7968** or E-mail at goodhallm@michigan.gov.*

APRIL 2006**APRIL 6, 2006**

MANAGING E-WASTE IN MICHIGAN, GENOA WOODS BANQUET AND CONFERENCE CENTER, BRIGHTON. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality is presenting this workshop at the Genoa Woods Banquet and Conference Center, 7707 Conference Center Drive, Brighton, Michigan. The Electronics Waste Workshop will provide information for community collection programs as well as business generators to help manage electronic waste properly. Information about compliance with regulations will also be provided for those operating and interested in starting electronic waste recycling businesses. Electronic waste is a growing part of the global waste stream. As more and more computers, televisions, cell phones, and more become obsolete, the need to manage them safely increases. Register to attend the full day for \$75 or either the morning or afternoon session for \$50 each. Half-day attendees can also purchase a lunch ticket for an additional \$15. A full brochure and online registration are available on the Web at www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops, click on "Upcoming DEQ Workshops." Registration Information Contact: **Environmental Assistance Center, 800-662-9278**, or E-mail at deq-ead-env-assist@michigan.gov. Information Contact: **Lucy Doroshko**, Environmental Science and Services Division, **517-373-1322**, or E-mail at doroshkl@michigan.gov.

APRIL 2006**APRIL 11, 2006**

FEDERAL FACILITIES ENVIRONMENTAL WORKSHOP, VANDENBERG CONFERENCE AND CATERING CENTER, SELFRIDGE ANG BASE. This workshop is designed for federal facilities to learn about pollution prevention opportunities. Topics will include: Planning for the Future-DoD Sustainability, Practical Benefits of an EMS, DEQ Regulatory Updates: Air Program, Solid/Hazardous Waste, and Electronics Management. A full brochure and online registration are available on the Web at www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops, click on "Upcoming DEQ Workshops." Registration Fee: \$55. Workshop Information Contact: **Steve Kulesia**, Environmental Science and Services Division, **517-373-3109**, or E-mail at kulesias@michigan.gov. Registration Information: **Environmental Assistance Center, 800-662-9278**, or E-mail at deq-ead-env-assist@michigan.gov.

APRIL 2006**APRIL 26-28, 2006**

CERTIFIED HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGERS EXAM REVIEW COURSE, YAZAKI-NORTH AMERICA LEARNING CENTER, CANTON. The Certified Hazardous Materials Managers of Michigan (CHMM-MI) presents this review course to assist those preparing for the Certified Hazardous Materials Managers exam. Classes focus on information needed for success in the exam and are taught by practicing CHMM's. The registration fee is \$400, and the classes will be held at the Yazaki-North America Learning Center, 6300 Haggerty Road, Canton, Michigan. Register online at www.chmm-mi.org. Information Contact: **William Lipton**, CHMM-MI, **734-586-1678**, or E-mail at info@chmm-mi.org.

MAY 2006**MAY 4, 2006**

TOXIC CHEMICAL RELEASE INVENTORY (TRI) WORKSHOP – BEGINNERS COURSE, DOUBLETREE HOTEL, NOVI. TRI reporting is required under Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA), also known as SARA Title III. Facilities in certain industry sectors that meet the criteria

must submit reports for listed toxic chemicals and report releases and waste transfers of the chemicals as well as waste management activities. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 and Michigan SARA Title III Program are partnering to offer this full-day workshop for those who have little or no knowledge of reporting requirements of EPCRA Section 313. The workshop will cover the regulation in detail, including reporting changes for 2005, as well as Section 6607 of the Pollution Prevention Act (PPA) of 1990. Attendance is encouraged for facilities that are potentially subject to reporting under Section 313. Registration fee: \$100. A full brochure and online registration are available on the Web at www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops, click on "Upcoming DEQ Workshops." Registration Information Contact: **Environmental Assistance Center, 800-662-9278**, or E-mail at deq-ead-env-assist@michigan.gov. Information Contact: **Ruth Borgelt**, Environmental Science and Services Division, **517-373-9804**, or E-mail at borgeltr@michigan.gov.

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MAY 2006

TOXIC CHEMICAL RELEASE INVENTORY ADVANCED COMPUTER TRAINING, VARIOUS LOCATIONS, MICHIGAN. TRI reporting is required under Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA), also known as SARA Title III. Facilities in certain industry sectors that meet the criteria must submit reports for listed toxic chemicals and report releases and waste transfers of the chemicals as well as waste management activities. The Michigan SARA Title III Program is offering this half-day session designed for persons familiar with Section 313 reporting. This training will provide hands-on use of the USEPA TRI-ME reporting software to determine eligibility and complete the forms. The training will include a discussion of the TRI Assistance Library and report submission through the Internet. Attendees will use a problem set and examples in determining eligibility and release and waste management reporting. Reporting changes for 2005 will also be discussed. Two sessions are being offered at each location; please register for either the **morning** or **afternoon session**. Registration fee: \$75. A full brochure and online registration are available on the Web at www.michigan.gov/

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5/02/06	M-TEC at Kirtland-Gaylord, Gaylord
5/09/06	M-TEC in The Grove at Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Kalamazoo
5/11/06	Kent Intermediate School District, Grand Rapids
5/16/06	Macomb Intermediate School District, Clinton Township
5/18/06	Lansing Community College West Campus/M-TEC, Lansing

JUNE 2006**JUNE 2006**

THE MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CONFERENCE, VARIOUS LOCATIONS, MICHIGAN. Mark your calendars for Michigan's first environmental compliance conference. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Environmental Science and Services Division, is presenting this conference which will offer four concurrent tracks with over 20 sessions on hazardous waste and wastewater management, air quality issues, release reporting, emergency planning, and more. All conference attendees will receive the brand new 4th Edition of the Michigan Manufacturers' Guide to Environmental, Health, and Safety Regulations." Watch for the most current conference and registration information on the Web at **www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops** and click on "Upcoming DEQ Workshops."

Registration Information Contact: **Environmental Assistance Center, 800-662-9278**, or E-mail at **deq-ead-env-assist@michigan.gov**. Information Contact: **Jim Ostrowski**, Environmental Science and Services Division, **517-241-8057**, or E-mail at **ostrowsj@michigan.gov**.

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6/1/06	Treetops Resort, Gaylord
6/6/06	Laurel Manor, Livonia
6/8/06	DeVos Place, Grand Rapids

**JUNE/
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2006****JUNE/NOVEMBER 2006**

2006 RENEWABLE OPERATING PERMIT (PASS-ROP) APPLICATION WORKSHOPS, VARIOUS LOCATIONS, MICHIGAN. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's Clean Air Assistance Program is offering the PASS-ROP workshop again in 2006. This workshop is designed to help you complete your initial or renewal ROP application using the PASS-ROP software. You will be taken step by step through the software in an interactive, hands-on format. You will also receive the "PASS-ROP Workbook" and other guidance materials. A full brochure and online registration are available on the Web at **www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops**, click on "Upcoming DEQ Workshops." Registration fee is \$50. Registration Information Contact: **Environmental Assistance Center, 800-662-9278**, or E-mail at **deq-ead-env-assist@michigan.gov**. Information Contact: **Jim Ostrowski**, Environmental Science and Services Division, **517-241-8057**, or E-mail at **ostrowsj@michigan.gov**.

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6/29/06	M-TEC at Kirtland-Gaylord, Gaylord
11/1/06	Constitution Hall, Lansing